Mr. V. D. Ouseph.—Long before.

Dr. A. R. Menon—He is a member of that Bank.

Mr. V. D. Ouseph.—I too was a member.

Mr. P. Krishna Menon.—That committee and the report have nothing to do with Land Mortgage Banks.

Mr. T. M. Krishna Menon.—I say, the position of the Government or its capacity in aiding these institutions will have been enquired into. Banks may be of different character. If, as the Hon'ble Member says, it should be purely a Government concern, that the Government should entirely finance it, the report of the committee may be useful since it had to deal with State-Aided Banks.

Mr. C. V. Kuriyan.—May be State-Aided.

Mr. T. M. Krishna Menon.— That also may be taken into consideration.

Mr. K. Mohamed Seethi.– Is there any scheme established by the Registrar of Co operative Societies? I remember to have seen something done by the Registrar of Co-operative Societies.

Mr. T. M. Krishna Menon.—He wrote an article and published it.

Mr. A. B. Salem.—You may ask the Registrar to examine this question.

Mr. T. M. Krishna Menon.—I shall see whether something can be done.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—If the Government will consider the matter, I don't press the motion.

Dr. A. R. Menon.–Bring all these in a leisure period.

Deputy President.—So you don't press?

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—No.

The resolution was, with leave, withdrawn.

5. Agricultural Depots.

Mr. V. V. Anantapadmanabha Ayyar being absent, the following resolution was considered withdrawn:—

Mr. V. V. Anantapadmanabha Ayyar.—"*This Council recommends to the Government to start agricultural depots in rural areas, particularly in Panchayat centres*"

6. Standing Finance Committee.

Deputy President.—Resolution No. 6 stands in the name of Mr. K. T. Mathew.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Sir, I beg to move the following resolution standing in my name: —

"This Council recommends that the Standing Finance Committee shall be so constituted as to have at least two-thirds of its Members elected by the non-official Members of the Legislative Council'.

I have to point out that this Council is constituted having a large proportion of elected Members. Out of the 45 Mem-

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